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In re the Application of:)
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Garney et al.)
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For: TRANSACTION SCHEDULING)
FOR A BUS SYSTEM IN A)
MULTIPLE SPEED ENVIRONMENT)
Continuation of Application)
Application No.: 09/473,914)
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT FOR CONTINUATION APPLICATION

Dear Sir:

Please enter the following preliminary amendment for the present patent application.

In the Specification:

After the title, please insert the following:

-- The present patent application is a Continuation of Application No. 09/473,914, filed December 28, 1999.--

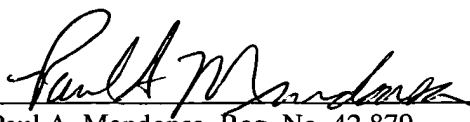
In the Claims:

Please cancel Claims 6-12, 18-29, and 34-35.

Respectfully submitted,

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